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Majority prices trended higher in the East and Midwest, but unchanged in the West. Trade sentiment was generally fully steady at reported prices. Retail demand was light to moderate; food service was light to fairly good, best where promotions were in progress. Overall, offerings were limited, but clearing. In the parts structure, trading was light to fairly good. Breast items were in the best position and reported as well cleared, dark meat was irregular but mostly in close balance and clearing. Wings were in a better position, but reported as adequate to fully adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 14-MAR-2005.

(cents per lb)	US GRADE A	COMPOSITE			
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		AVG		AVG	
Boston/New Eng	TFEWR			69.31	28
Chicago	66.00-69.00	68.78	41	70.88	72
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			70.18	33
Denver	79.50	79.50	14	79.50	16
Detroit	68.00-69.00	69.80	10	71.41	56
Los Angeles	80.00	79.03	59	78.03	131
New York	69.00-73.00	71.48	21	69.91	47
Philadelphia	69.50-71.00	70.36	11	69.80	22
Pittsburgh	70.00-72.00	71.27	11	72.70	58
St. Louis	68.25-68.50	68.11	21	67.69	40
San Francisco	80.50	80.57	35	78.33	85

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	03/14/05	Change/Last Wk	03/07/05	03/15/04
588	72.97	1.23	71.74	75.30

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AV	LOADS
Eastern	72.50-74.00	73.84	33
Central	71.00-76.00	73.01	72
Western	75.00-77.00	76.25	36

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	73.00-76.00	73.90	92
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 73.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG
1,100	66.00-75.60	72.93

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	173.50	1,433
BREASTS - B/S	146.00	6,031
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.00	1,492
THIGH MEAT - B/S	94.00	1,127
LEG QUARTERS	32.00	7,819
WINGS	109.50	3,100

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was seasonally fair to instances good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were sufficient to barely adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate. The market tone was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, breast items and tenders were good balance to well cleared. Wings were fully sufficient. Dark meat cuts were about adequate to adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was fully steady as majority prices trend higher in the East and Midwest, but generally steady in the West. Demand was fair in early week business. Supplies were well cleared to adequate for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was moderate, with supplies usually clearing. Overall, breast items were close to tight, dark meat was sufficient, and wings were better balanced, but still adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged. The market tone was fully steady with trading reported on deliveries for this week at mainly unchanged on regular commitments and mainly higher on new negotiations. Offerings generally adequate. Buying activity was moderate at best. Retailer moderate overall best to cover features planned for later in the week. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was firm on breasts and steady to barely steady on balance of parts. Trading reported on parts for this week's delivery: leg quarters 33-36 bulk and 4/10s 36.5-39.5, boneless leg meat 81-87, breast bone-in 94-115 and boneless 148-153, wings 89-108. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 75.46 up 4.15 with the volume reported at 28 loads up 8 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Whole broiler/fryer majority prices moved 2 to 3 cents higher from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. The market tone was fully steady to firm on light offerings. Retail and food service demand mostly moderate to fairly good over the week-end; best call into fast food. Floor stocks adequate with spot shortages noted; weights desirable. Trade interest on parts was moderate on light to moderate offerings. Supplies of large wings remained long, breasts in close balance, dark cuts adequate. Market tone was steady to weak on large wings; steady to firm on breasts and leg items.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally fair to moderate. Seller offerings were adequate for immediate delivery, adequate to barely adequate for late week. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to light. Processor schedules were mostly moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 71 to 83 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to closely cleared. Leg cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Wings were fully adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	64-89
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	73.25
NO. OF BOXES	6,195

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly moderate entering the week. Offerings of breast items were in good balance to tight. Dark meat cuts were about adequate to adequate for current needs. Wings were fully sufficient.. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate, best where features were in progress. The market tone was fully steady to firm on breast items; at least steady on dark meat cuts. Wings were no better than steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING		AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S		160	153.54	515,420
TENDERLOINS	155-160		151.67	57,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93		98.87	97,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	92		94.16	99,520
LEGS	44-45		43.31	287,760
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	31-32		32.32	245,960
DRUMSTICKS	31-32		40.58	90,800
THIGHS	37-38		44.83	70,720
B/S THIGHS	96-97		96.46	36,120
WINGS (WHOLE)	100-101		104.93	126,880
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		11.73	14,320
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35		27.96	20,800
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65		63.91	21,160

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	2,378	125.00-153.00	142-150	144.28
TENDERLOINS	729	147.00-197.00	147-155	154.49
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	724	72.00-95.00	-	81.51
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,294	28.00-31.00	28-29	28.84
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,008	31.00-33.00	-	31.05
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,454	26.00-43.00	35-36	35.02

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	Estimate	Actual	Avg Wts	Actual	Avg Wts
	(1,000)	(1,000)		(1,000)	
	03/14	03/10	03/10	03/07	03/03
Alabama	4,071	3,913	5.08	3,921	5.15
Arkansas	5,506	5,264	4.96	5,452	5.03
Delmarva	2,222	2,205	5.50	2,108	5.36
KY-LA-TN	2,250	2,220	4.99	2,154	5.13
Mississippi	3,052	3,021	5.47	2,997	5.41
North Carolina	2,530	2,502	6.38	2,475	6.41
Texas	2,415	2,409	5.30	2,304	5.22
Total	22,046	21,534	5.32	21,411	5.33
Mon	22,046 (A)			21,411 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Mar 2005 is estimated to be 32,983,000 up 2.66 percent from a week ago, and up 6.7 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,129,000 last year 30,901,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
	(000)			AVG
BREAST - B/S	681	145.00-215.00	148-150	153.66
TENDERLOINS	255	148.00-195.00	151-155	153.24
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	90.00-105.00	93-97	96.01
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	474	29.00-33.00	30	30.18
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	965	31.00-36.00	32-33	32.52
WINGS (WHOLE)	275	72.00-109.00	104-106	101.38
WINGS (CUT)	362	88.00-125.00	122-125	117.41
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	80	94.00-99.00	-	96.00

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR MARCH 14, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S	5-DAY
	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
53.00 - 59.00	55.15	53.59

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 14-MAR-2005 TO 18-MAR-2005, CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	143.00 - 160.00	148.00 - 160.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	83.00 - 114.00	91.00 - 101.00
LEGS	44.00 - 55.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29.00 - 39.00	31.00 - 33.00
DRUMSTICKS	29.00 - 42.00	-
THIGHS	38.00 -	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	79.00 - 124.00	-
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 60.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	86.25-98.25
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	89.75-101.75

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	105-108
ICE PACK	105-107
ROASTERS 4# & UP	111
ICE PACK	108-111
HENS OVER 5#	89-95
ICE PACK	89-93
DUCKS	180-192

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MARCH 11, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	20.25	20.75-25.00	568,000	208,000
WTD AVERAGE	20.25	23.11		

15-20%				
RANGE	19.00-28.00	21.00-26.00	2,132,000	1,572,000
WTD AVERAGE	22.26	23.82		

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	19.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		19.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

MARCH 11, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	25.00	20,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		25.00		

15-20%				
RANGE	25.00-29.00	19.00-26.50	1,439,000	163,200
WTD AVERAGE	27.00	22.67		

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was at least moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances less than normal. Sales of finished product were sufficient and clearing satisfactorily. The undertone was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-MAR-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8.25-15.5	11.25-13	12.25
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair. Schedules were as desired. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-MAR-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-15.25	11-12.75	12.02

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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